

SENATE BILL No. 491

DIGEST OF SB 491 (Updated January 29, 2002 2:54 PM - DI 71)

Citations Affected: IC 24-3.

Synopsis: Tobacco settlement enforcement proceedings. Specifies that the attorney general may disclose certain information in an action to enforce the tobacco master settlement. Permits the attorney general to receive reasonable attorney's fees in connection with enforcing the tobacco master settlement.

Effective: July 1, 1999 (retroactive).

Wyss, Blade

January 14, 2002, read first time and referred to Committee on Public Policy. January 31, 2002, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning civil law and procedure.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 24-3-3.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE 2 AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE 3 JULY 1, 1999 (RETROACTIVE)]:
 - Chapter 3.5. Tobacco Qualified Escrow Fund Proceedings
 - Sec. 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, for any official purpose, including enforcing IC 24-3-3 or a judgment in a civil action based on IC 24-3-3, the attorney general may disclose information obtained under IC 24-3-3-11 or IC 24-3-3-14.
 - Sec. 2. The attorney general is entitled to reasonable attorney's fees from a tobacco manufacturer in settlement of matters related to IC 24-3-3, or as a remedy for an adjudicated violation of IC 24-3-3.
 - SECTION 2. An emergency is declared for this act.



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COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. President: The Senate Committee on Public Policy, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 491, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Page 1, line 4, delete "Settlement Enforcement" and insert "Qualified Escrow Fund".

Page 1, line 5, delete "For purposes of" and insert "Notwithstanding any other provision of law, for any official purpose, including".

Page 1, line 5, after "or" insert "a judgment".

Page 1, line 6, delete "this chapter" and insert "IC 24-3-3".

Page 1, line 9, delete "in connection with enforcing IC 24-3-3." and insert "from a tobacco manufacturer in settlement of matters related to IC 24-3-3, or as a remedy for an adjudicated violation of IC 24-3-3.".

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 491 as introduced.)

WYSS, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0.



